



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

IN RE: U.S.S.N. 09/518,165)
FILED: March 1, 2000)
TITLE: METHOD FOR DETECTING)
PRESENCE OF TARGET)
BACTERIA OR A TARGET)
COMPONENT)
CARBOHYDRATE)
ANTIGEN THEREOF)
INVENTORS: V.A. Koulchin, N.J.) GROUP ART UNIT: 1645
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and M.K. Fent)
EXAMINER: Ja-Na Hines

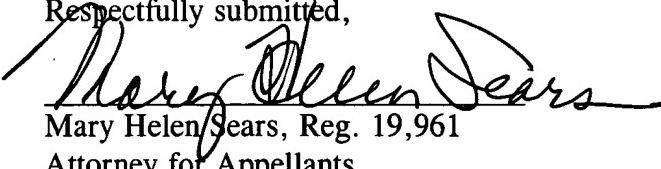
REQUEST FOR FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE APPEAL BRIEF AND TRANSMISSION
OF APPEAL BRIEF FEE

Appellants hereby respectfully request an extension of time herein from May 11, 2004, the date on which the appeal brief herein was originally due, to and including Monday September 13, 2004 the first business day following Saturday September 11, 2004.

A check to cover the four month extension fee for a small entity of \$740.00 and the appeal brief fee of \$165.00 for a small entity (Total \$905) is appended hereto.

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